BROADCAST DMAS-12

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SUBJECT: Final Version of Transmittal #DMAS-3 Available

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The Final version of Medical Assistance Eligibility Manual Transmittal (TN) #DMAS-3 has been posted on the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) public website at http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_pgs/pg-home.aspx. TN #DMAS-3 is effective **January 1, 2017**.

The transmittal contains updated income limits and long-term care standards that were posted in Broadcast DMAS-11, as well as several other policies that were previously posted in broadcasts. Other changes include revisions to systems procedures due to the changeover to the Virginia Case Management System (VaCMS).

We are alerting local agencies to two significant policy changes are included in this transmittal:

- New policy and procedures for the treatment of Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) accounts in M1130, and
- Revised policies and procedures for asset transfer undue hardship claims in M1450.

The transmittal should be incorporated into the Medical Assistance Eligibility Manual prior to the end of January.

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